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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Responsive to the action mailed June 30, 2005, Applicant elects the invention of Group I, claims 37, 39-43, 45-49, 51-55, 57-61, 63-69, and 71-73, drawn to a method for the production of seeds comprising pollinating a plant that comprises a nucleic acid sequence in sense or antisense orientation, wherein the nucleic acid molecule or its complement encodes a methyltransferase, wherein transcription of said nucleic acid molecule reduces the levels of general DNA methylation, wherein seed that develop on said plant have increased mean seed weight compared to a plant that lacks said nucleic acid molecule, and a plant comprising said nucleic acid molecule, for example. The election is made without traverse.

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